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SUBJ: MEETING WITH PRESIDENT NIMEIRI

1. AFTER CHANCE ENCOUNTER WITH DCM ON BEACH AT 7:00 A.M. ON JUNE 12, PRESIDENT NIMEIRI ACCEPTED INVITATION TO BREAKFAST. WHEN DCM EXPRESSED HIS PERSONAL GRATIFICATION, AS FRIEND OF BOTH NOEL AND MOORE, THAT THEIR ASSASSINS WERE BEING TRIED, NIMEIRI REPLIED WITH DEEP CONVICTION THAT HE HAD GIVEN HIS PERSONAL WORD THAT THEY WOULD BE SUBJECT TO SUDANESE LAW IN SAME WAY AS ANY OTHER CRIMINAL. HE MADE POINT OF FACT THAT SUDAN WAS FIRST ARAB STATE TO GIVE CRIMINAL TRIAL TO ARAB TERRORISTS. HE RECALLED MOORE'S FAREWELL CALL ON HIM SHORTLY BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION, AND SAID MOORE HAD BEEN A GOOD MAN AND A TRUE FRIEND.

2. CONVICTION AND EARNESTNESS WITH WHICH NIMEIRI SPOKE ABOUT TRIAL CONTRASTED WITH EXTREMELY RELAXED, JOVIAL MOOD SURROUNDING BEACH ENCOUNTER AND IMPROMPTU BREAKFAST.

3. MEMCON FOLLOWS ON OTHER SUBJECTS DISCUSSED.
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